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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

APPLICANT: EIGEN ET AL (DIV)
SERIAL NO.: 10/032,897 EXAMINER: JOYCE TUNG
FILED: OCTOBER 25, 2001 GROUP: 1637
TITLE: PROCESS AND AGENT FOR INSTABILIZING VIRAL QUASI-SPECIES DISTRIBUTIONS AVOIDING RESISTANCE PHENOMENA

PETITION UNDER RULE 136(a) AND RULE 17(a)(3)

ATTN: MAIL STOP FEE AMENDMENT
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

Applicants petition the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks, under Rule 136(a), to extend the time for response to the Office Action dated December 4, 2002, for three months, from MARCH 4, 2003 to JUNE 4, 2003. Submitted herewith, under Rule 17(a)(3), is a check in the amount of \$930.00 to cover the cost of the extension for a Large Entity.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additionally required fee, or to credit any overpayment, to our Deposit Account No. 03-2468.

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Respectfully submitted,
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Enclosure: Check in the amount of \$930.00.

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first class mail in an envelope addressed to: Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 on June 4, 2003.


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